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Title: METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR TAKING UP A FIRST MEDIUM,
WHICH IS PRESENT IN A FIRST PHASE, INTO A CAPILLARY DEVICE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 29, 2004, setting a three month shortened statutory period for response. Amendments to the specification begin on page two. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3. Remarks begin on page 7.

Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.